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- The Albanian Army, including the Militia, now has about 60,000 meno 1.
- The complement of the FF.AA (not identified) is subdivided, as far as operations are concerned, into three divisions: 1, 5 and 8 Infentry Divisions, which are located respectively at Tirena, Gjinokaster and Korce. Each division is composed of three regiments; each regiment of three battalions; each battalion of four companies.
- There is an Artillery Command under General Baziani. The armament consists of guns of small and medium caliber, in addition to a nucleus of heavy artillery consisting of 149's. All of the Soviet, Czechoslovak 50X1-HUM menufacture. There are also tenks (their number is not known) of Soviet make. 50X1-HUM
- At Tirana, in the Shkumbi barracks, there is a large depot of light arms and ammunition. Wear the same barracks there is a mine depot.
- There is a large ammunition depot at Elbasan, 16 kilometers from Pograni (sie).
- There is an ammunition depot at Durres six kilometers from the coast, near "Sasso Bianco" (sic)
- 7. Not far from the Durres beach, in a woods about four kilometers south of the city there is an artillery ammunition depot.
- At Shkoder; near Mount Jsmajl Osmani (sic) there is an ammunition depot.
- At Durres, in the Porta Romana area, seven kilometers from Kavje on the left of the highway, there is a fuel depot.
- 10. At Kawaje, about one kilometer outside of town, there is another fuel depot.
- At Shkambi Kavaje (sic) and at Elbasan there are large underground reinforcedconcrete depots.

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12. Many places along the Albanian coast are prepared for defense and occupied by a small number of soldiers. These positions consist of batteries of artillery of small and medium caliber. The coastal region and especially the area between Gloses Kep 1 Vlone and Saseno, has recently been declared a military zone, evidently because of important works now in progress there.

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- 13. The chief commander of the Albenian Navy is Major Abdi (sic) Mati. The command post is located at Tirana. The navy consists of three motor boats; one motor raft with two engines, formerly German; and about 10 motor fishing boats of various sizes, armed with machine guns.
- 14. Albania does not have her own military or civilian air force. The Tirana, Durres and other minor air fields, permit the landing of Soviet aircraft, the only aircraft now in Albania.
- 15. The only military school of importance is that at Tirana for officer candidates and non-commissioned officers of the Army and Navy. The technical instructors of this school are Soviet, and are members of the Soviet Military Mission to Albania. The school now has about 1,500 cadets, and is held in the former barracks of the engineer corps. The head of this school is an Albanian Major, Qazzino Kapisjzi.

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16. The Albanian railroad net is limited to only two lines: DurresFeqin and Durres-Tirana. While the first line is already in operation,
(constructed with Yugoslav materials) the second has not yet been completed.
It is waiting for material from Rumania. The Kukes-Peshkop line, about
70 kilometers long, constructed by the Albanians in 1946-47, is not in
operation because of the frequent landslides which occur on the line. The
highway net is secretly being reconstructed and repaired by Italian and
German prisoners of war.

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